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IN THE CLAIMS

Please add claims 17 and 18 as follows.

17. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the alarm is configured as part of said at least one peripheral device.

18. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein the alarm signal is initiated from said first peripheral device.